

LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Region 1

Statistical Data Report for March 2009

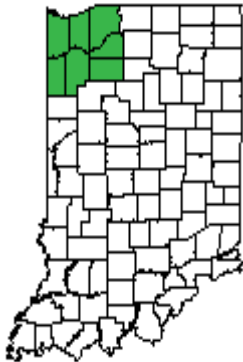
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INDIANA
WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT
AND ITS **WorkOne** CENTERS

*March 2009 Labor Force Estimates
(not seasonally adjusted)
State Release Date: 04/17/09*

Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1 includes: Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Newton, Jasper, Starke, and Pulaski Counties.



Area	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employed</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	Rate Mar. 2009	Rate Feb. 2009	Rate Mar. 2008
U. S.	153,728,000	139,833,000	13,895,000	8.5	8.1	5.1
Indiana	3,199,779	2,860,525	339,254	10.0	9.4	5.3
Gary Metro Div	333,625	298,495	35,130	10.5	10.0	5.6
MichCity-LaP MSA	52,862	46,422	6,440	12.2	11.6	6.3
EGR 1	403,856	359,924	43,932	10.9	10.4	5.7
Lake County	227,127	202,740	24,387	10.7	10.2	5.9
Porter County	83,686	75,542	8,144	9.7	9.2	4.6
LaPorte County	52,862	46,422	6,440	12.2	11.6	6.3
Newton County	7,074	6,242	832	11.8	11.8	6.5
Jasper County	15,737	13,970	1,767	11.2	10.7	6.3
Starke County	10,726	9,105	1,621	15.1	14.7	7.5
Pulaski County	6,644	5,903	741	11.2	11.1	5.4
Gary City	35,239	31,187	4,052	11.5	10.8	6.8
Hammond City	33,939	29,757	4,182	12.3	12.0	7.1

REGIONAL AND STATE UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

Regional and state unemployment rates were nearly all higher in March. Forty-six states recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, North Dakota and the District of Columbia registered rate decreases, and 3 states had no change in their rate, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. Over the year, jobless rates were up in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The national unemployment rate rose from 8.1 percent in February to 8.5 percent in March, which was 3.4 percentage points higher than in March 2008. In March 2009, nonfarm payroll employment decreased in 48 states and the District of Columbia and rose in 2 states. The largest over the month employment decrease occurred in California (-62,100), followed by Florida (-51,900), Texas (-47,100), North Carolina (-41,300), Illinois (-39,600), and Ohio (-37,500). The 2 states to show an over-the-month increase in employment were Mississippi and North Dakota.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING (HIGH TO LOW)

March 2009	COUNTY
55	Lake
68	Porter
30	LaPorte
34	Newton
44	Jasper
6	Starke
46	Pulaski

County Unemployment Rates
March 2009 - Non Seasonally Adjusted



INDIANA and SURROUNDING STATES UNEMPLOYMENT March 2009 (Not seasonally adjusted)

Illinois	9.1
Indiana	10.0
Kentucky	9.8
Michigan	12.6
Ohio	9.7

Gary Metro Division

WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	MAR 2009	FEB 2009	MAR 2008	CHANGE FEB TO MAR 2009		FROM MAR 2008 TO MAR 2009	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	273,700	272,500	279,700	1,200	0.4%	-6,000	-2.2%
Total Private Employment	234,000	233,100	240,400	900	0.4%	-6,400	-2.7%
GOODS PRODUCING	52,900	52,700	57,100	200	0.4%	-4,200	-7.4%
---Mining & Logging	300	300	400	0	0.0%	-100	-25.0%
---Construction	15,700	15,500	18,600	200	1.3%	-2,900	-15.6%
---Manufacturing	36,900	36,900	38,100	0	0.0%	-1,200	-3.2%
Durable Goods	28,700	29,000	30,200	-300	-1.0%	-1,500	-5.0%
Primary Metal Mfg	19,100	19,200	19,100	-100	-0.5%	0	0.0%
Iron and Steel Mills	17,500	17,500	17,200	0	0.0%	300	1.7%
SERVICE PROVIDING	220,800	219,800	222,600	1,000	0.5%	-1,800	-0.8%
Private Service Providing	181,100	180,400	183,300	700	0.4%	-2,200	-1.2%
---Trade, Transp, & Utilities	59,600	59,500	60,500	100	0.2%	-900	-1.5%
Wholesale Trade	10,600	10,700	10,300	-100	-0.9%	300	2.9%
Retail Trade	33,700	33,600	34,800	100	0.3%	-1,100	-3.2%
Gen Merch Stores	6,400	6,400	6,700	0	0.0%	-300	-4.5%
Other Gen Merch Stores	3,400	3,300	3,400	100	3.0%	0	0.0%
Transp/Warehousing/Utils	15,300	15,200	15,400	100	0.7%	-100	-0.7%
---Information	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.0%	-100	-4.6%
---Financial Activities	9,000	9,000	9,400	0	0.0%	-400	-4.3%
---Professional & Business	22,100	21,800	22,200	300	1.4%	-100	-0.5%
Employment Services	2,500	2,400	3,400	100	4.2%	-900	-26.5%
---Educational & Health	45,400	45,600	46,000	-200	-0.4%	-600	-1.3%
Educational Services	7,500	7,700	8,000	-200	-2.6%	-500	-6.3%
Health Care/Social Assist.	37,900	37,900	38,000	0	0.0%	-100	-0.3%
Med/Surgical Hospitals	12,800	12,800	12,900	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
---Leisure & Hospitality	30,600	30,100	30,500	500	1.7%	100	0.3%
Arts/Entertnmt/Recn	7,600	7,600	7,400	0	0.0%	200	2.7%
Food Svcs/Drinkg Plcs	21,600	21,200	21,600	400	1.9%	0	0.0%
---Other Services	12,300	12,300	12,500	0	0.0%	-200	-1.6%
Government	39,700	39,400	39,300	300	0.8%	400	1.0%
---Federal Government	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---State Government	4,400	4,100	4,500	300	7.3%	-100	-2.2%
State Govt Educ Svcs	3,100	2,800	3,100	300	10.7%	0	0.0%
---Local Government	33,300	33,300	32,800	0	0.0%	500	1.5%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	19,300	18,800	19,300	500	2.7%	0	0.0%

-- EMPLOYMENT DATA ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST HUNDRED AND THUS MAY NOT ADD TO THE TOTAL SHOWN
 -- GARY METROPOLITAN DIVISION OF THE CHICAGO CSA EQUALS LAKE, PORTER, JASPER, AND NEWTON COUNTIES

GARY METRO DIVISION NONFARM EMPLOYMENT



Michigan City-LaPorte MSA

WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	MAR 2009	FEB 2009	MAR 2008	CHANGE FEB 2009 TO MAR 2009		FROM MAR 2008 TO MAR 2009	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	44,600	44,200	45,600	400	0.9%	-1,000	-2.2%
Total Private Employment	36,900	36,700	38,000	200	0.5%	-1,100	-2.9%
GOODS PRODUCING	9,900	9,700	11,300	200	2.1%	-1,400	-12.4%
---Mining, Logging, Construction	2,100	2,000	2,300	100	5.0%	-200	-8.7%
---Manufacturing	7,800	7,700	9,000	100	1.3%	-1,200	-13.3%
SERVICE PROVIDING	34,700	34,500	34,300	200	0.6%	400	1.2%
Private Service Providing	27,000	27,000	26,700	0	0.0%	300	1.1%
---Trade, Transp. & Utilities	8,900	9,000	8,900	-100	-1.1%	0	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,300	1,400	1,300	-100	-7.1%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	6,000	6,000	5,800	0	0.0%	200	3.5%
Transp/Warehousing/Utils	1,600	1,600	1,800	0	0.0%	-200	-11.1%
---Information	500	500	600	0	0.0%	-100	-16.7%
---Financial Activities	1,300	1,300	1,200	0	0.0%	100	8.3%
---Professional & Business	2,700	2,700	2,600	0	0.0%	100	3.9%
---Educational & Health	7,000	7,000	6,700	0	0.0%	300	4.5%
---Leisure & Hospitality	5,000	4,900	4,900	100	2.0%	100	2.0%
---Other Services	1,600	1,600	1,800	0	0.0%	-200	-11.1%
Government	7,700	7,500	7,600	200	2.7%	100	1.3%
---Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---State Government	2,600	2,400	2,600	200	8.3%	0	0.0%
State Govt Educ Svcs	700	500	600	200	40.0%	100	16.7%
---Local Government	4,900	4,900	4,800	0	0.0%	100	2.1%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	3,000	3,000	2,800	0	0.0%	200	7.1%

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-- MSA - METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MICHIGAN CITY-LAPORTE MSA = LAPORTE COUNTY)

NOTE: MICHIGAN CITY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA IS
CURRENTLY PUBLISHED AS UNOFFICIAL/NON-BLS AREA ESTIMATES.
BLS FUNDING FOR THIS MSA & OTHERS WAS SUSPENDED FOR 2008
BUT INDIANA WILL CONTINUE TO ESTIMATE FOR THESE AREAS.

MICH CITY-LAPORTE MSA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT



TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY REGION

WEEK ENDING >	3/7/2009	3/14/2009	3/21/2009	3/28/2009
EGR 1	19,830	19,616	18,954	18,406
INDIANA	183,056	180,746	173,519	171,699

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research & Analysis,
UI Statistics

Monthly Claims by Industry Region 1 March 2009

Industry	Percent of Total
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting	0.4%
Mining	0.2%
Utilities	0.1%
Construction	26.5%
Manufacturing	24.7%
Wholesale Trade	4.4%
Retail Trade	5.8%
Transportation, Warehousing	4.5%
Information	0.7%
Finance, Insurance	1.5%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	0.9%
Professional, Technical	2.7%
Management of Companies, Enterprises	0.2%
Administrative, Waste Services	9.1%
Educational Services	0.7%
Health Care, Social Assistance	3.1%
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation	1.9%
Accommodations, Food Services	2.1%
Other Services except Public Adm.	1.8%
Public Administration	1.1%
Unclassified	0.6%
Region 1 Total	100%

WARN NOTICES for Region 1 in March 2009

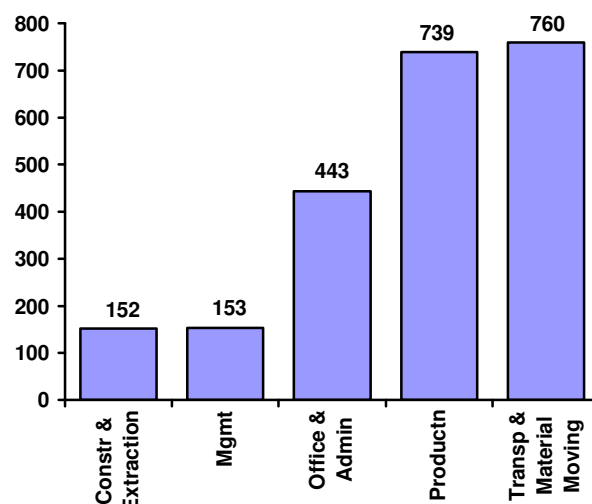
Company	City	County	Affected Workers
Amazon	Munster	Lake	45

Data are rounded.

Source: Hoosiers by the Numbers, WARN Notices
Indiana Workforce Development

Applicant Pool

Top Five Occupational Groups selected by Active Applicants in Past Twelve Months



Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana
Career Connect



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(CPI-U Change)

Unadjusted Percent Change to March 2009 from:

	Feb. 2009	Mar. 2008
U.S. City Average		
All Items	0.2	-0.4
Food & Beverages	-0.2	4.3
Housing	0.1	1.4
Apparel	3.1	1.4
Transportation	0.1	-13.1
Medical Care	0.2	2.8
Recreation	0.1	1.7
Education & Communication	0.0	3.6
Other Goods & Services	2.8	5.7
Midwest Region (All Items)*	0.3	-0.1

*Midwest Region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

HIGH WAGE HIGH DEMAND OCCUPATIONS

From area WorkOne job listings past 12 months

Occupation

1. Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services
2. Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer
3. Sales Representatives, Services, All Other
4. Advertising Sales Agents
5. Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard
6. Industrial Machinery Mechanics
7. Structural Iron and Steel Workers
8. Customer Service Representatives
9. Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs
10. Maintenance and Repair Workers, General
11. Social and Human Service Assistants
12. Production Workers, All Other
13. Police Patrol Officers
14. Correctional Officers and Jailers
15. Tax Preparers
16. Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters/Operators/Tenders
17. Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
18. Tellers

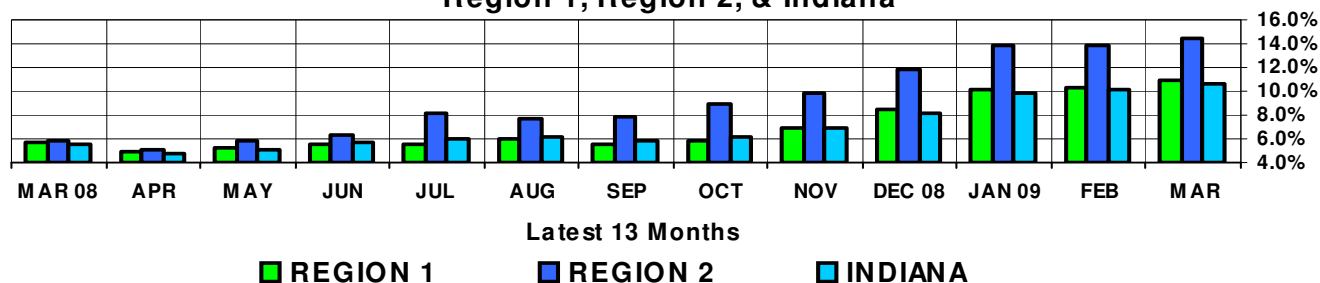
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES IN 2008

1. Of the 3.2 million youth who graduated from high school from October 2007 to October 2008, 2.2 million (68.6 percent) were attending college in October 2008. College enrollment rates were 71.5 percent for young women and 65.9 percent for young men.
2. The labor force participation rate (the proportion of people with a job or looking for work) was higher for young women enrolled in college (46.1 percent) than for their male counterparts (36.0 percent).
3. Among recent high school graduates enrolled in college in October 2008, 93.2 percent were full-time students. The labor force participation rate was 38.5 percent for full-time students and 75.9 percent for part-time students.
4. About 6 in 10 recent high school graduates who were enrolled in college attended 4-year institutions. Of these students, 31.0 percent were in the labor force, while 55.9 percent of recent graduates enrolled in 2-year colleges were in the labor force.
5. Recent high school graduates not enrolled in college in the fall of 2008 were more likely than the enrolled to be in the labor force (76.4 versus 41.1 percent). The unemployment rate for high school graduates not enrolled in college was 26.7 percent, compared with 14.9 percent for graduates enrolled in college (2 or 4 year institutions.)

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

UNADJUSTED REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Region 1, Region 2, & Indiana



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Lake, Porter, LaPorte, St. Joseph, Elkhart, Newton, Jasper, Starke, Pulaski, Marshall, Fulton, and Kosciusko Counties.

Summer jobs in the Young Hoosiers Conservation Corps
Hoosiers between the ages of 16 and 24 may be eligible to participate in a spring 2009 program known as Young Hoosiers Conservation Corps. This program will partner with the Department of Natural Resources to beautify Indiana's 33 state parks and reservoirs.

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